

# THE DIAMOND DRILL

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CRYSTAL FALLS.

MICHIGAN.

## THE NEWS CONDENSED.

### THE EAST.

THE heirs of Samuel J. Tilden, while objecting to a legislative bill creating the Tilden trust, announce their intention to deed to the city of New York the Gramercy park mansion and the books and papers at Greystone, and endow a public library with \$3,000,000 or more.

TWO CHILDREN at Niagara Falls slid into a swollen sewer which runs under the town and empties into the river near the whirlpool. They were ten minutes in making the dark passage, but were rescued by men at the outer end, secured by ropes. Although apparently lifeless, the little ones were resuscitated. Small-pox continues to spread in New York and Brooklyn, and an epidemic is feared. The disease so far has been confined to the tenement districts. Edward Evans, one of England's champion sluggers, has arrived in New York, and announces his readiness to receive challenges.

THE trouble arising out of the refusal of the cigar firm of V. Martinez, Ybor & Co., of New York, Ybor City, and Havana, to employ Cuban cigarmakers, culminated in a bloody riot at Ybor City in the course of which the Cubans killed M. F. Martinez and fatally wounded four other Knights of Labor.

It is reported that Henry Ward Beecher and Mark Twain contemplate the production of a joint novel, the preacher to supply the pathos and the joker the humor.

### THE WEST.

A FRIGHTFUL tragedy is reported by telegraph from Cleveland, Ohio:

James Cabalek is a well-to-do carpenter, living on Independence street, near the city limits. Thursday morning he and his son went to work shortly before 7 o'clock. The mother, Antonette, had been out of temper at the breakfast table, and had refused to talk to her husband. Directly after breakfast she sent Henry, her 15-year-old son, to a grocery nearby, and still another son to a drug store. When they returned, they could not get into the house. Going into the back yard, they saw James, 13 years old, in a closet, bleeding from sixteen wounds in his left side. They hastened away and called their older brother, who had gone off with the father, and, returning, the three boys forced an entrance to the house. They discovered Tony, an 8-year-old girl, bleeding from a dozen cuts in her left side. On the floor near by were Marie, 5 years old, Antonette, 3 years old, and Willie, 3 months old, all dead from dreadful stab wounds in the heart. A bloody pair of shears told the story. A hunt was made for the mother. She was found in the cellar, hanging from a rafter, dead. She had killed her three children, mortally injured two others, and had then suicided. The two children who were still alive were removed to a neighbor's house, but they will die. No cause for the terrible deed is given. The husband does not think that his wife was insane.

A PANTHER weighing eighty-five pounds was killed on the outskirts of Peoria, Ill. The Detroit Driving Club has withdrawn from the National Trotting Association, and its Secretary, D. J. Campau, has tendered his resignation as member of the District Board. A call for a meeting to form a new organization has been sent out. Simpson Harris died in Putnam County, Indiana, last week, aged 109. He was born in Orange County, North Carolina, Jan. 1, 1778. He cast his first vote for Jefferson, for President, in 1801, and had voted at every Presidential election since. He was a veteran of the war of 1812. His memory remained good. He talked intelligently about men and events connected with the formation period of the Republic.

NEARLY two thousand farmers of Clermont County, Ohio, participated in a hunt last week, the result being the killing of two red foxes. The Live-Stock Commission at Springfield, Ill., has sent out checks amounting to \$20,000, to reimburse the owners of cattle killed in Chicago on account of pleuro-pneumonia. Those Seminoles of Indian Territory who suffered by the failure of their crops are receiving from the funds of the tribe a sufficient sum to tide them over to the next harvest. In the case of Sadie Hayes, charged with killing Policeman Jenks, in St. Louis, it was agreed that a plea of guilty would be accepted, and that she should be sentenced to ninety-nine years in the penitentiary. She has been in jail since October, 1883. On the ground that the contract was based on a gambling operation, the County Court of Milwaukee dismissed the suit of Daniel Wells against Peter McGeehan for \$200,000 alleged to be due on the famous lead deal of 1880. A Chicago dispatch says that Nina Van Zandt cooked a breakfast for August Spies, placed a loving card between two slices of bread, and sent a colored woman to the jail with a basket. As the jailer found no contraband articles in the package he sent a guard to the anarchist's cell with it. Miss Van Zandt will go with her mother to Paris, and reside there till a decision is reached in the Spies case. A passenger train on the Louisville and Nashville road was wrecked near Hawthorne, Illinois, by the explosion of the boiler of the locomotive. The engineer and fireman were killed, and the express and baggage cars were demolished.

### THE SOUTH.

AN explosion of gas in the coal bunkers of the British steamer Suez, at New Orleans, fatally burned the second engineer and three Chinese firemen, and dangerously burned three other Chinese.

THE new City Council at Atlanta, Ga., has licensed a large number of wine-rooms. The organ of the Prohibitionists declares the law a failure, and states that whisky and beer are sold about as freely as ever.

HENRY SMITH, acting as a posse of Deputy United States Marshal John Phillips, and two guards, names unknown, were murdered in their camp at Eufaula, I. T. Marshal Phillips and party were in the Territory serving writs and arresting violators of the United States laws.

THE periodical robbery of the postoffice at Corinth, Miss., caused the Postmaster to place a beaver-trap in a window where the burglar usually entered. The other morning the son of a prominent citizen was found so tightly clasped with steel bands that he could not easily be released. While

the Postmaster went for assistance the robber nearly killed himself with a pocket knife. Governor Ross of Texas has followed up his inaugural address by a message to the Legislature in which he recommends a number of reforms, dealing in a vigorous manner with the railroad question and recommending that pooling among railroads be declared unlawful, and that any officer of a railroad engaging therein may be convicted of felony. Preston Valentine was hanged at Augusta, Georgia, and Abe Chambers at Newport, Arkansas, for murder. Both were colored men.

A PASSENGER train on the Texas and Pacific Road was boarded by a band of robbers near Gordon, Texas, and the express and mail cars were rifled of their valuable contents. The robbers are said to have realized about \$15,000. The passengers were not molested.

TWO MURDERERS were taken from the jail at Warren, Ark., and hanged by a mob. Their bodies were subsequently cut down and thrown into a stream.

### WASHINGTON.

THE Second Comptroller of the Treasury has allowed the legate of Walter Greyson, a Creek Indian, \$32,000 for money stolen from him in Indian Territory by three white men. Secretary Manning, in reply to a Senate resolution of inquiry, states that at the beginning of this year the several Pacific Railroad companies owed the Government \$49,302,181 for interest alone, and at the maturity of the thirty-year bonds the total indebtedness will be \$157,372,615. The House Committee on Invalid Pensions, by a strict party vote, decided to make an adverse report on the bills to pension Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Blair. The ground of opposition is the fact that these ladies did not die from injuries received in the service.

CONGRESSMAN FLOYD KING, of Louisiana, publishes a card in the Washington papers regarding the insults offered to him by Cuthbert Jones in the barber's shop of Willard's Hotel. King says:

While I was being shaved Cuthbert B. Jones, accompanied by a man whom I took to be his brother, came into Stewart's shop and soon began conversation with each other in a loud tone of voice about my defeat for a renomination to Congress. To this I made no response. When I had been shaved and came from my position Cuthbert Jones got up from a chair eight or ten feet distant, on the arm of which he was sitting, and, looking at me, uttered for some moments the most offensive and brutal language, such as a would-be assassin would employ when seeking an opportunity to commit murder under the disguise of the law, he and his friend meanwhile occupying advantageous positions some twelve or fifteen feet apart. Discovering that I could not be caught in the villainous trap they had laid for me they retired. I kept my eye all the time on both. In the height of his frenzy Jones held his stick in his left hand and threw his right on his hip, or possibly into his hip-pocket. Under these circumstances, being menaced by such deadly pursues, I, being armed, I should have felt justified in destroying him. He was at no time nearer than eight or ten feet from me. I am a law-abiding man, but the law imposes no restraint in protecting myself. Jones' hostility to me is due solely to my opposition to his position. That opposition was because I was informed by most reputable and distinguished men acquainted with the facts that he was a fugitive from justice on account of the assassination of Gen. Liddell of my district by Jones' father, his elder brother, and himself, the two former being lynched for their crime, and the latter dying for his life. He has never yet returned to his home. Not long ago he had his life insured, and by the payment of an extra premium had the exemption about suicide and death by violence stricken out, telling the agent with great frankness that he expected to die with his boots on. He always goes armed, and has repeatedly tried to provoke King into assaulting him. He has challenged him to a duel several times, but the Congressman will take no notice of him. It is believed by the friends of Jones that King's card will result in a culmination of the long feud by the death of one or the other of them.

It is estimated by the Secretary of the Treasury that the cost of collecting the customs revenues for the next fiscal year will be \$6,540,873. Mrs. Voorhees, the wife of Senator Voorhees, of Indiana, died in Washington last week.

CONGRESSMAN MORRISON is mentioned for the position of member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, as are also Senator Conger and a son of Senator Thurman. The pay is \$7,500 a year. A bond call amounting to \$13,887,000 has been issued. The uncalled 3 per cents, now aggregate \$40,000,000.

### POLITICAL.

NELS P. HAUGEN is elected Congressman from the Eighth Wisconsin District, to succeed the late William T. Price, by several hundred majority.

A. S. PADDOCK was nominated for United States Senator from Nebraska to succeed Charles H. Van Wyck, in the Republican legislative caucus, after fifteen ballots had been taken. In the joint session the vote was as follows: Paddock, 94; McShane, Democrat, 32; Van Wyck, 4. The Senatorial dead-lock in Indiana is unchanged, says an Indiana politics dispatch:

Two ballots were taken Friday on the election of a Senator without any change in the vote, Turpie receiving 75, Harrison 71, and Allen 4. It was the intention of the Democrats to continue the balloting all day, but when a Republican Senator made a motion for adjournment Speaker Sayre said that he would give viva voce vote, regardless of the demands of the Democrats for a call of the roll. The Senatorial appeals to the Democratic legislators to remain steadfast in their support of Turpie until March 8, and if there is no election before that time he will then be appointed United States Senator. Whatever the result of the balloting may be, there will certainly be a contest. "Will the Republicans repeat the election of Turpie or any other Democrat as valid?" was asked of Senator Huston, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, Friday. "By no means. No Senator chosen by the Democrats as now constituted the roll will be recognized." "Will Speaker Sayre sign the certificate if Turpie or some other Democrat receives seventy-six votes, including Brannaman's?" "He will not."

AN Indianapolis dispatch of the 20th inst. says:

Both parties in the Legislature caused yesterday morning and arranged conference committees to arrange a compromise on the subject of the election of a United States Senator. Before the hour for the meeting of the joint convention a compromise was reached by which it was agreed that Governor Harrison should call the joint convention together in the House, and that Speaker Sayre should preside over it, while Lieut. Gov. Robertson should not put in an appearance. It was also agreed that any member whose name was on the roll-call either House on Tuesday should be allowed to vote, and the right to enter protests against any vote was reserved to both sides. The compromise is to continue in effect until a United States Senator is elected. Under this agreement the House should be assembled and took two ballots for Senator, which resulted in Turpie, Democrat, receiving 75 votes, Harrison, Republican, 71, and Allen, Labor, 4. Upon the first roll-call protests were formally made by the Republicans against the votes of fourteen Democratic members. The Demo-

crats protested against the votes of the entire Republican minority of the Senate and three members of the House. All of these protests were entered on the records with a view of their being used as evidence in case of a contest of the Senatorial seat.

### THE RAILWAYS.

THE Purchasing Committee of the Wash-bash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway, holding over \$4,000,000 paid in assessments, and embarrassed by the demands of the underlying bondholders, has decided to ask the stockholders what course they desire pursued.

A CHARTER has been obtained at Madison for a railway from Lake Geneva to Portage, 110 miles, by way of Elkhorn and Whitewater.

A RECENT dispatch from Topeka, Kan., says. Two new railroads have been chartered here, which, although incorporated under different names, will be practically under the same management. One road, the Kansas Valley, will be built from a point near Kansas City west along the valley of Kansas to the western boundary of the State and from thence to Denver, Col. The total capital stock of the company is placed at \$10,000,000. The second road is to be known as the Topeka, Blue Valley and Northwestern Railway, and will be built from Topeka to a point in Cheyenne County, with a branch from a point in Wabunsee County to Clay Center. The length of this road will be about 500 miles, and its capital stock \$10,000,000.

THE St. Joseph and St. Louis Railroad company, having secured the annulment of its lease to the Iron Mountain and Missouri Pacific companies, has brought suit for \$400,000 damages against the roads named. A St. Louis dispatch asserts that Jay Gould is about to purchase or build tracks direct from Memphis to Denver.

NOTWITHSTANDING the fact that railway pools are forbidden by the interstate commerce law, the various Chicago associations will probably retain their joint machinery for the compilation of statistics, the publication of rates, and protection from fraudulent practices by shippers.

### GENERAL.

ELIUB B. WASHBURN brands as a fabrication the statement cabled from Paris that while American Minister at that city he used his facilities to forward letters through the German lines for twenty francs each. The Western Iron Association met at Pittsburgh. B. F. Jones was elected President. No advance was made in the card rate. The ironworkers are disappointed.

A DISPATCH from Ottawa, Canada, says: "The officials of the Fisheries Department here look on the Belmont fisheries bill as a game of bluff, and say it is a poor return for six months' free use of the Canadian fisheries under the promise of the President of the United States that a fisheries commission would be appointed at the next meeting of Congress, which promise was never carried out." A steamer from Buenos Ayres, South America, arriving at Panlille, Southern France, has cases of cholera on board.

STARTLING rumors come from Canada as to the mental condition of Sir John A. Macdonald. It is said that his petulance under advice or contradiction makes the lives of the Ministers insupportable. The resignation of Sir Charles Tupper was due to the fact that he could not put up with Sir John, and that the difficulties between them culminated in a quarrel in a full Cabinet Council, at which they shook their fists in one another's faces. Since that rupture no one except Mr. Pope has had the least influence against any views adopted by the aged Premier. When Sir John heard after the Ontario defeat that Sir Charles Tupper, who was in England, had been telegraphed for, he promptly ordered the latter to remain where he was, and asserting that a plot existed among his subordinates, he announced that he would instantly resign unless all consented to the elections. As his resignation would have killed the Conservative party his colleagues made the best of the situation and consented to go to the polls.

### FOREIGN.

RUMORS of war are becoming more and more frequent, says a cable dispatch. The North German Gazette, the National Gazette, and Cologne Gazette, as well as the Times, Standard, and Daily News, of London, all report that France is making elaborate preparations to dispatch to the German frontier strong reinforcements of arms. An inspired letter from Berlin says: "In Government circles here the situation is regarded as serious. The peaceful tone of the French press is not assuring, as it is evident the papers have been officially ordered to adopt a peaceful attitude. There can be no question that France is preparing military camps on the German frontier. It remains to be seen whether a plausible reason can be given for this."

THE latest reports from London indicate that the British have no intention of seriously backing Canada in the fisheries question, if the Americans only show a firm front. The general feeling is one of surprise that the United States should have stood the Canadian nonsense so long. It is known the British Government, when sanctioning the enforcement of the fishery regulations in the treaty of 1818, after the Washington treaty in 1885, impressed upon Sir John Macdonald the necessity of maintaining friendly relations with the United States. Gilbert and Sullivan's new opera, "Hindogore," was severely criticised at its first presentation at the Savoy Theater, London, and the authors probably realize that they are face to face with the first failure of their joint career. Mrs. Fawcett writes that when her husband was Postmaster General the Government opened the letters of the Parnellites, and when her husband protested, Mr. Gladstone and Sir Wm. Harcourt told him to mind his own business. A party of Salvationists who went to Northampton to meet Gen. Booth were mobbed by the populace, and the police were unable to protect them. Booth was hit with lumps of ice several times. The court at Edinburgh granted a divorce to the Marchioness of Queensbury on the ground of adultery. The Scottish Protestant Alliance has sent to Queen Victoria a memorial calling attention to the aggressions of the papacy in Great Britain.

## ADDITIONAL NEWS.

HOUSES on eight different farms in Marshall County, Ill., are affected with glanders. The Governor of Ohio, on receiving information that the cattle quarantine is evaded by round-about shipments from Chicago, has extended to the State of Illinois the provisions of the order forbidding importations of live stock. The directors of the Merchants' Exchange, of St. Louis, have adopted a resolution recommending William K. Morrison for a place on the Interstate Commerce Commission. The Toledo Produce Exchange puts forward Reardon B. Smith. The Magnolia and Opussum Clubs of St. Paul lauded Gov. Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia. Senator-elect Davis and Gov. McGill were among the guests. Gov. Lee responded to the toast, "The New South." Among other things he said: "We are back once more in the house of our fathers with a reputation to sustain as a State of the Union. Personally I stand midway between the extremes, with a scar from a Texas battlefield and a scar from a war where I fought for what I believed right. One of my colored boys is named Jefferson Davis and one Abraham Lincoln. Virginia is proud to take her place by the side of Minnesota in the glittering crown that binds the brow of the American Union." While the band played "Columbia," three cheers for Gen. Lee, proposed on behalf of the old soldiers of Minnesota, were given with a will.

BILLS prohibiting the appointment of "Pinkerton men" as special policemen, and declaring that they shall not exercise the powers of deputy sheriffs, policemen, or constables, under heavy penalties, have been introduced in the New Jersey House. Thomas Phillips, a shoemaker, has been nominated for Mayor of Philadelphia by the United Labor party. A full ticket was put in the field. A Washington dispatch says the protection Democrats in Congress have finished the consideration of their bill to reduce the surplus revenue. The general features of the bill have already been published. It wipes out the tax on tobacco and wicks beer, and also the license tax on dealers in whiskey. The question whether the tax on alcohol used in the arts should be removed or the tax on whisky should be reduced is left an open one to be decided by the House. The provisions of the Randall bill which increased the duties in certain cases are stricken out. Lumber, ergots, fur used in making hats, jute, and jute butts are among the articles placed on the free list. The duty on steel rails is reduced to \$13. The principal features of the Hewitt customs administrative bill are incorporated, together with some additions adjusted by the Treasury Department. It is expected that the total reduction of the revenue made by the bill will be nearly \$60,000,000.

THE First Comptroller of the Treasury, by another opinion on the accounts of John S. Mosby as Consul at Hong Kong, has disallowed claims for \$12,000. The bill to authorize the President of the United States to protect and defend the rights of American fishing vessels, American fishermen, American trading and other vessels in certain cases, passed the Senate January 21. Riddleberger of Virginia was the only Senator voting in the negative. The bill concerning postoffices of the third class, providing that they shall not be changed into postoffices of the fourth class, where the gross receipts amount to \$1,900 a year, or where the box receipts and commissions constituting the postmaster's compensation amount to \$1,000, passed the Senate. Senator Allison introduced the primary bank reserve bill in the Senate. A resolution was introduced in the House by Congressman Lawler directing the Committee on Naval Affairs to inquire into the expediency of a bill appropriating the time for the assembling of Congress to the first Wednesday in January of each year. Mr. Thomas, of Illinois, introduced a bill to increase the naval establishment. It authorizes the construction of two steel cruisers, of about four thousand tons displacement, of the type of the "Albatross," at a cost, exclusive of armament, of not more than \$1,300,000 each; five steel gunboats, of the type of "gunboat No. 1," at a cost, exclusive of armament, of not more than \$550,000 each; and six steel torpedo boats, having a maximum speed of not less than twenty-four knots per hour, to cost, exclusive of armament, \$100,000 each.

## THE MARKETS.

NEW YORK.	
BEVERLY.....	\$4.00 @ 5.50
HOGS.....	5.00 @ 5.33
WHEAT—No. 1 White.....	.91 @ .94
No. 2 Red.....	.88 @ .90
CORN—No. 2.....	.48 @ .50
Mixed.....	.47 @ .49
POK—Mess.....	12.00 @ 13.00
CHICAGO.	
BEVERLY—Choice to Prime Steers.....	5.00 @ 5.50
Good Shipping.....	4.00 @ 4.50
Common.....	3.00 @ 3.50
HOGS—Shipping Grades.....	4.50 @ 5.00
FLOUR—Extra Spring.....	4.25 @ 4.75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.79 @ .80
CORN—No. 2.....	.35 @ .36
OATS—No. 2.....	.21 @ .22
BUTTER—Choice Creamery.....	.27 @ .29
Fine Dairy.....	.21 @ .24
CHEESE—Full Cream, Cheddar.....	.12 @ .14
Full Cream, new.....	.13 @ .15
EGGS—Fresh.....	.25 @ .30
POK—Choice, per bu.....	.48 @ .53
POK—Mess.....	12.00 @ 12.50
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT—Cash.....	.78 @ .79
CORN—No. 2.....	.36 @ .38
OATS—No. 2.....	.20 @ .22
POK—Mess.....	12.00 @ 12.25
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	.83 @ .84
CORN—Cash.....	.37 @ .38
OATS—No. 2.....	.21 @ .22
DETROIT.	
BEEF CATTLE.....	4.50 @ 5.25
HOGS.....	3.50 @ 5.00
SHEEP.....	4.75 @ 5.50
WHEAT—Michigan Red.....	.84 @ .85
CORN—No. 2.....	.37 @ .38
OATS—White.....	.33 @ .34
ST. LOUIS.	
WHEAT—No. 2.....	.82 @ .82
CORN—Mixed.....	.34 @ .35
OATS—No. 2.....	.27 @ .28
POK—Mess.....	12.50 @ 12.75
CINCINNATI.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.84 @ .85
CORN—No. 2.....	.37 @ .38
OATS—No. 2.....	.20 @ .21
POK—Mess.....	12.50 @ 12.75
BUFFALO.	
WHEAT—No. 1 Hard.....	.91 @ .91
CORN—No. 2 Yellow.....	.44 @ .44
CATTLE.....	4.00 @ 5.00
INDIANAPOLIS.	
BEEF CATTLE.....	3.00 @ 5.00
HOGS.....	4.25 @ 5.00
SHEEP.....	2.75 @ 4.50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red.....	.82 @ .83
CORN—No. 2.....	.37 @ .38
OATS—No. 2.....	.20 @ .21
EAST LIBERTY.	
CATTLE—Best.....	4.75 @ 5.00
Fair.....	4.25 @ 4.50
OATS—No. 2.....	.20 @ .21
HOGS.....	3.00 @ 3.50
SHEEP.....	4.25 @ 4.50

## CONGRESSIONAL.

### Work of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

MR. EDMUNDS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, reported a bill to the Senate, Jan. 19, to authorize the President of the United States to protect and defend the rights of American vessels. The bill provides that when the President shall be satisfied that any American fishing vessels are denied any of the rights secured to them by treaty or law, or are subjected to unreasonable restrictions in respect to such rights, while visiting the waters or ports of British America, it shall be the duty of the President by proclamation to deny vessels, their masters and crews, of the British dominions, the waters of the United States, whether they come directly from the Dominion or not. He may also, in his discretion, deny entry into the United States of fresh or salt fish, or any other product of the Dominion. The report of the committee accompanied the bill. The bill denies the pretension of Great Britain that American fishing vessels or others have no rights in Canadian waters except at the pleasure of the British Government. The Senate passed a resolution on the bill to expedite the completion of the Charleston jetty. Senator Hampton introduced a bill to promote the efficiency of the civil service by establishing a retired list. The President nominated the following Postmaster: North Carolina, William H. Forster; Ohio, Robert L. Ford; Ohio, P. S. Latsch; Appleton City, Mo. An effort to fix a day for the consideration of the Blair educational bill, introduced in the House. Both the Senate and House passed bills authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Mississippi River at St. Louis. The bill passed by the Senate was so amended as to prohibit the location of the new bridge within two miles of the present structure.

THE President sent to the Senate, on the 20th, a message vetoing a bill granting a pension to William Dickens. The ground of the veto is that a pension had been already, in December, 1885, given to the beneficiary through the pension office. Mr. Jones (Ark.), from the Committee on Indian Affairs, reported two Senate bills granting right of way to the Spokane and Pelouse and the Washington and Idaho Railroad Companies through the Coeur d'Alene Indian reservation. In House Mr. Outwater, from the Committee on Pacific Railroads, reported back the following resolution, which was adopted: Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be and is hereby requested to inform the House of Representatives as soon as practicable the sum of money which were owing to the United States on the 1st day of January, 1887, from the Pacific Railroads which have received aid from the Government in bonds, giving the sums which are due, principle and interest, under existing law, severally as collected, and the amount of the same, and what will be the result to the treasury and effect upon these debts if the House bill 8318 should become a law and its provisions be complied with. The object of the committee in reporting the resolution is to get the opinion of the Treasury Department as to the effect of the passage of the House funding bill. The following committee reports were submitted and referred: By Mr. Hill (Ohio), the Senate bill for the admission of the State of Washington; by Mr. Cox (N. C.), for the suppression of the opium traffic; by Mr. O'Neill (Pa.), for the completion of the monument to Mary, the mother of Washington, at Frederick; by Mr. Winthrop (Mass.), for the appointment of a Commissioner of Agriculture to make a special distribution of seed in the drought-stricken sections of Texas.

SENATOR BROWN offered a resolution in the Senate, calling on the President for the correspondence with Mexico in regard to the seizure and sale of the American schooner Rebecca in the port of Tampico; and also that relating to Minister Jackson's resignation. Senator Sherman offered an amendment to the sundry civil appropriation bill, appropriating \$3,000 to put new fences around the cemeteries in which Confederate dead are buried near Columbus, Ohio, and on Johnson's Island. Mr. Colquitt presented a petition from the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the District of Columbia, asking the Committee on Commerce and Customs to make a special distribution of seed in the drought-stricken sections of Texas. The bill provides that when the President shall be satisfied that any American fishing vessels are denied any of the rights secured to them by treaty or law, or are subjected to unreasonable restrictions in respect to such rights, while visiting the waters or ports of British America, it shall be the duty of the President by proclamation to deny vessels, their masters and crews, of the British dominions, the waters of the United States, whether they come directly from the Dominion or not. He may also, in his discretion, deny entry into the United States of fresh or salt fish, or any other product of the Dominion. The report of the committee accompanied the bill. The bill denies the pretension of Great Britain that American fishing vessels or others have no rights in Canadian waters except at the pleasure of the British Government. The Senate passed a resolution on the bill to expedite the completion of the Charleston jetty. Senator Hampton introduced a bill to promote the efficiency of the civil service by establishing a retired list. The President nominated the following Postmaster: North Carolina, William H. Forster; Ohio, Robert L. Ford; Ohio, P. S. Latsch; Appleton City, Mo. An effort to fix a day for the consideration of the Blair educational bill, introduced in the House. Both the Senate and House passed bills authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Mississippi River at St. Louis. The bill passed by the Senate was so amended as to prohibit the location of the new bridge within two miles of the present structure.

THE extension of the Hawaiian treaty for seven years was ratified by the Senate in a secret session, Jan. 22, by a vote of 45 to 11. The discussion in the Senate over the proposed treaty with Great Britain was characterized by the most bitter personalities. Evans is said to have mortally offended Mr. Riddleberger by describing him as a "parrot who would not talk" or the other just as his interests dictated. Riddleberger also charged that Edmunds was every day becoming more in love with monarchical institutions and disassociated with American ideas. A resolution by Mr. Wallace on the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty, which recites that the President and Senate have ratified a convention extending the terms of the twenty seven years longer, and that the treaty contains provisions for the admission of certain articles free of duty, and instructing the Committee on Judiciary to inquire into these facts and report whether a treaty which involves the rate of duty to be imposed on any article can be valid and binding without the concurrence of the House of Representatives, was adopted by the House. This resolution is in the interest of the Louisiana sugar planters, who are opposed to the extension of the Hawaiian treaty. Senator Riddleberger introduced a bill to abolish the Mississippi River Commission, which he promptly referred. The Secretary of the Treasury sent a communication to the House in answer to a resolution, stating that the amount due from the Pacific Railroad companies to the United States, on account of interest and bonds, was \$167,332,615. The House considered the river and harbor bill.

A CLOSE student of human nature says that "when you see a young man and woman walking down the street leaning against each other like a pair of badly mated oxen, it is a pretty good sign that they are bent on consolidation."